

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE  
AT NASHVILLE

**FILED**  
08/18/2017  
Clerk of the  
Appellate Courts

**IN RE: DON W. COOPER, BPR #1286**  
An Attorney Licensed to Practice Law in Tennessee  
(Sullivan County)

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**No. M2017-01630-SC-BAR-BP**  
BOPR No. 2017-2757-1-WM-22.3

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**ORDER OF ENFORCEMENT**

This matter is before the Court pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 22.3, upon a Notice of Submission filed by Disciplinary Counsel for the Board of Professional Responsibility consisting of certified copies of plea agreements in the matter of *State of Tennessee v. Don W. Cooper* in the Criminal Court for Sullivan County, Tennessee (attached as Collective Exhibit A) demonstrating that Don W. Cooper, an attorney licensed in Tennessee, has entered “Alford/Best Interest” pleas to ten counts of a serious crime, i.e., theft, in violation of T.C.A. § 39-14-103.

IT IS THEREFORE, CONSIDERED, ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED BY THE COURT THAT:

1. Don W. Cooper is suspended from the practice of law on this date pending further orders of this Court, pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 22.3;
2. This matter shall be referred to the Board of Professional Responsibility for the institution of a formal proceeding in which the sole issue to be determined shall be the extent of the final discipline;
3. Don W. Cooper shall fully comply with the provisions of Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 28, concerning suspended attorneys; and
4. The Board of Professional Responsibility shall cause notice of this suspension to be published as required by Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 28.11.

PER CURIAM